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7 NORTH TEXAS SYSTEM, NEAL
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8 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS,
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Page 7 Page 5 THE REPORTER: Today's date is November 12, (Ms. Garcia came in to the camera view.) 2 2021, and the time is 1:27 p.m. 2 MR. WELDON: Thank you. My name is Judy Coughenour Johnson, Judy A. MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Does that work? 3 Coughenour & Associates, 8109 Asmara Drive, Austin, Texas. (The Reporter indicated that now Mr. Weldon 4 This is the oral deposition of Shannon could begin at any time.) 5 Michael Goodman, and it is being conducted remotely, by MR. WELDON: Okay. 6 agreement of Counsel, with the Witness located at the Q (Mr. Weldon) Would you please state your name 7 University of North Texas, Denton, Texas. for the record? 8 Will the Witness please raise your right MR. WELDON: I think - I think they're on -I think they're on mute. 10 hand and be sworn? 10 MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Yeah. 11 11 12 12 A (The Witness) Shannon Goodman. (The Reporter asked for a repeat of the 13 SHANNON MICHAEL GOODMAN 13 name.) 14 the Witness herein, having been first duly administered an 14 A (The Witness) Goodman. oath or affirmation, via Zoom, pursuant to the agreement 15 Q (Mr. Weldon) And Mr. Goodman, have you ever of Counsel, testified as follows: 16 17 given a deposition before? A I have not. 18 18 EXAMINATION 19 Q Okay. So then before we begin, I'd just like QUESTIONS BY MR. WELDON: 19 to ask that for the purposes of getting a clear 20 THE REPORTER: Thank you. transcript, you let me finish asking any questions before I have administered the oath, the Witness 21 you start your answer, and I'll extend the same courtesy, 22 having been identified to me by attestation of Counsel. by waiting for you to answer before I ask any additional 23 Would Counsel, and all other persons questions. Is that fair? 24 present in the rooms, please identify yourselves, and your A That's fair. 25 locations, for the record? Page 6 Page 8 MR. WELDON: Chance Weldon, taking the Q Okay. And it probably won't be necessary, but deposition. 2 if for any reason you need a break, just let me know. I 3 I'm here in Austin, Texas. only ask that you answer any question that's pending at MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Sandy - excuse me -4 the time before we break. Is that fair? Sandy Hellums-Gomez, Counsel for the Defendants. A That's fair. I am present in Houston, Texas. Q Okay. Are you on any medication that would 6 MS. DUGGINS-CLAY: Paige Duggins-Clay, prevent you from answering truthfully here today? 7 Counsel for the UNT, Defendants, and in Austin, Texas. Q Okay. And do you have any medical condition 9 (The Reporter asked if there was anyone 10 else present with Mr. Weldon.) that would prevent you from answering truthfully here MR. WELDON: Yeah. Yes. 11 today? 11 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes. Christian Townsend in 12 12 A No. Q Okay. And you're currently employed by the 13 Austin, Texas. 13 (The Reporter indicated Mr. Weldon University of North Texas. Is that true? 14 A That's true. 15 could begin at any time.) 15 MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: And - well, and - and Q Okay. And what is the title of your position 16 16 17 there? present in Denton, as well, is Miss Dolly Garcia, in-house A Vice-President for Enrollment. Counsel with UNT. 18 Q Okay. And you're testifying here today in your 19 MR. WELDON: Can - can she be on camera? I 19 capacity as Vice-President of Enrollment. Is that true? just - I can't see her, and I don't know who's in the 20 20 21 A That's true. room. 21 Q Okay. So how long have you been in that role? 22 So if she could just get back on camera, 22 A Approximately six and a half years, that would be appreciated. 23 23 approximately. MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Okay. Can you - does 24 Q And as Vice-President of Enrollment, what 25 that work for you, Dolly?

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Page 11 Page 9 1 exactly do you oversee? What are you in charge of? before? A As far as units? A (The Witness) I think what you're pointing to 3 O Yeah. is a Web page? Web site? Is that correct? A Or the division? A That - that - that is correct. So I have University Admissions. I have And is this the - your biography that's on 6 Financial Aid and Scholarships. I have the Registrar the University of North Texas Web site? 6 Office. I have - the last six months, I have - I now have A Yeah. It should be. Student Financial Services. I have a unit that's called I haven't looked at that site recently, but 8 Enrollment Systems. And also oversee Welcome Center and I'm assuming that's - that's what's there right now. University Tours. Q Okay. And did you - did you sign off on this, 10 And then just administrative units, within. 11 11 or help create it? 12 Like budget, you know, for - for the division. A Probably at the - I - I probably did sign off on 12 Q So if I --13 13 it at the - at the time it was created. Yeah. 14 (The Reporter asked for a repeat of the Q Okay. Thank you. 14 last part of the Witness' answer.) 15 And can you look in this section here that 15 A (The Witness) For the division. Just for - you 16 16 says Bio Information? A couple of sentences down, where 17 know, for the administrative roles for the - for the 17 it says, "Mr. Goodman oversees UNT programs"? division, itself. 18 18 A Yes. Q (Mr. Weldon) So do any of those departments or Q Do you see that sentence? 19 programs, that you oversee, involve the assessment of 20 A Yes, I do. 20 tuition at the University of North Texas? 21 Q All right. And it says that you oversee the 2.1 A I have a - a unit that's called Student 22 Eagle Express Tuition Plan. Correct? 23 Financial Services. They actually will assign or ensure A That's correct. That's part of the Student 23 24 that tuition has been assigned so that students are - are 24 Financial Services. 25 charged, and then they'll - they're also in charge of Q Okay. And that tuition plan, that's going to 25 Page 10 Page 12 1 collecting those - and billing students for that. 1 involve the cost of - of tuition for students at UNT, Q I'm sorry. Can you repeat the last - the last part of that statement? I don't - I couldn't understand A If - and that's an older plan that new students, 3 I don't believe, can lock in to anymore. 4 you. But yeah. That was - by students that 5 A Sure. They - they ensure that the - the students chose that, were able to lock in those rates. are billed, and then they ensure that the - you know, they Q Okay. And that's - and - and you said that's no work on the fee payment, the collection side of that, as longer available at the University or --9 well. A I don't believe we're doing Eagle Express Q I'm going to introduce an exhibit, and let me 10 anymore. We moved on to - the University moved on to Save 11 see if I can pull it up here. 11 and Soar Plan. That is a more recent one. This will be Exhibit 1. So I think where students who had 12 MR. WELDON: Can everybody see this? Are 13 originally got on the Eagle Express will still continue on 13 you all able to see that? 14 that, but I don't believe it's available to new students. (The Reporter indicated she could.) 15 15 I could be wrong on that, but I - I - I 16 MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Yes. 16 don't believe it is. A (The Witness) I - if - if that is in reference Q Okay. Do you know if the cost of tuition is 17 to a picture of me, yes. 18 18 different for resident and nonresident students, at the Q (Mr. Weldon) Okay. 19 19 University of North Texas? MR. WELDON: And I'm not sure. A There is a statutory tuition rate that is state 20 20 Do we have any way for them to be able to 21 defined through the legislature. They define a - what 21 scroll through this, or do I need to just operate that? 22 22 universities, such as us, can charge for a credit hour for HOST: You'll need to operate that. 23 23 resident, and they also define what is charged for MR. WELDON: Okay. Thank you. 24 24 nonresident. Q (Mr. Weldon) Have you ever seen this document 25 25 So that's the - that is the difference.

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Page 13 1 That's the rate that's different for residents and the University of North Texas Web site, would that sound 2 nonresidents. That's that statutory, legislative rate like - would - would you agree that that's reasonable? that's --That we probably got it there? Q Okay. A Yes. 4 A -- defined. Q Okay. Now can you look directly beneath -Q So - so you would agree, though, that the rate beneath your name there? There's a box relating to Chris that is - that is charged is different? Correct? Foster. Can you see that? A I would agree that the - yeah. That the A I can. statutory rate is - there's a rate set for resident and a Q Actually, let me back up one question. rate set for nonresident. Would - does this appear to be an accurate 10 11 representation of the way that division is structured? Q And UNT complies with that state law, and charges the different rates. Correct? 12 A Yes. 13 A That is correct. Q Okay. And is this one of the - earlier you Q Okay. I'm going to introduce a new exhibit, 14 testified that you oversee several divisions. Is - this 14 Exhibit 2. is one of the divisions that you oversee? 15 MR. WELDON: Can everybody see that? A I oversee one - one singular division, the 16 17 MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Yes. 17 Division of Enrollment. These are different departments MR. WELDON: Okay. or units within that division. 18 Q Okay. Q (Mr. Weldon) And - and Mr. - Mr. Goodman, do 19 19 you recognize the document on your screen? A Just --20 A (The Witness) I can't see it all. I think 21 Q So is it - oh. I apologize. 21 there are - might - the pictures, and stuff, are in front 22 So the things - but basically this is a - a of it. chart that shows all of the things that - all of the 23 divisions that you oversee with all - all of the 24 But the part that I can see, yeah. Is - is 25 recognizable. Yes. 25 departments of the division that you oversee. Is that Page 14 Page 16 Q Okay. And --1 correct? (The Reporter asked for a repeat of the A Correct. last part of the Witness' answer.) Q Okay. So going back to the box in the middle 3 A (The Witness) All the way - well, it's - the 4 that - that refers to Chris Foster - you said you can see 5 top - the - the teal boxes to Michael Sanders. I can see that there. Right? part of what I believe is probably Brenda McCoy, who's -A Correct. who is now retired, and then the level that has - down O And from this chart, it looks like Mr. Foster where it says Call Center, you know, starting from the direct - reports directly to you. Is that correct? A Correct. left, I can see those boxes. 10 Q (Mr. Weldon) I can - I can move that around a 10 Q Okay. So it would be fair to say that you 11 little bit so you can see the rest of it. oversee his work. Is that correct? Does that change anything? A Yeah. I mean, I think that's fair. I oversee 12 A That allows me to see all the - I think the Chris. Yeah. lower boxes, and - and that's fine. I'm assuming there's Q Okay. Can you look at the box directly below 14 nothing off to the right that, you know, is different. Mr. Foster's name? But what I can - what I can see looks A I can. 16 16 Q Okay. And that indicates that Mr. Foster is in familiar. Yeah. charge of tuition and fees assessment. Correct? Q Okay. Do - can you - can you say what that -18 18 19 what this document represents? 19 A It does. A This would be a - a - a high-level org chart of Q Okay. And to your knowledge, when Mr. Foster

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22 state law. Correct?

A Correct.

assesses tuitions and - tuition and fees, he complies with

Q And, you know, if, for some reason, Mr. Foster

25 collected fees in a way that didn't comply with state law,

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21 the division.

reports.

Q Okay.

A Probably focusing in on who would be my direct

Q Okay. And if I told you that we got this from

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Page 17 Page 19 1 you would have authority to correct him. Right? setting the formula for nonresident student tuition? A Correct. MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Objection. Calls for a Q I'd like to introduce Exhibit 3. And this is legal conclusion. going to be a copy of - this should be a copy of the Texas A (The Witness) Yeah. I would - that's kind of how I read it. Yes. Education Code. MR. WELDON: Can everybody see that? Q (Mr. Weldon) Thank you. A (The Witness) I - yeah. I mean, I can see the And you would agree that the formula, in page that I think you're bringing up. Section (c), and the formula in Section (d), are Q (Mr. Weldon) Yeah. We can scroll - we'll different. Correct? MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Objection. Calls for a scroll through - we'll scroll through it, as necessary. 10 10 A Yes. 11 legal conclusion. 12 Q Yeah. 12 A (The Witness) Yeah. I mean, as I - as I read 13 it, I - well, I - there are different way to come to it. 13 Have you ever seen Texas Education Code, I guess technically it could end up being 14 Section 54.051 before? 14 A I have seen it before. Yes. 15 the same if - the way it's calculated, the way it's Q Okay. And can you take a look at Section (b) on stated, would come out with it. But yeah. 16 17 this page? Q (Mr. Weldon) Yeah. A Okay. But there - but they are different 18 18 Q Okay. Would it be a fair summary to say that 19 formulas. Correct? that section says the University shall collect tuition at A Yeah. The - the - the way they're stated, they 20 the rates prescribed by this section? 21 seem to - the path to it is different, it sounds like. 21 MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Objection. Calls for a 22 22 Yeah. Q Okay. And to your knowledge, the programs that legal conclusion. 23 24 you oversee at the University of North Texas, they comply A (The Witness) Yeah. I'm not - let me reread 25 with this law. Correct? 25 it, because I'm not sure exactly what you're asking, so Page 18 Page 20 A To my understanding. Yes. 1 that --. Q Okay. I'd like to introduce another exhibit. Yeah. I mean, I think - is that - can you state your question again? That would be Exhibit 4. 3 MR. WELDON: Can everybody see that? Q (Mr. Weldon) Yeah. I was just saying is it A (The Witness) I can - I can see your screen. fair to say that this section says that the college shall 5 cause to be collected, from students, fees and rates 6 Yeah. prescribed in this section? Q (Mr. Weldon) Okay. Great. 7 And that - that looked - that appears, to A Under that Statute? So according to Statute? Is that what you're asking? you, to be Texas Education Code, Section 54.052? 10 Q Yes. 10 A That's what it's stated. Yeah. A I think - I think that's fair. Q Yeah. And have you seen this section of the 11 11 12 Texas Education Code before? 12 Okay. Can you take a look at Section (c)? A I have. Yes. 13 13 14 14 Q Will you take a look at Section (a)? Q And in Section (c), you would agree that section 15 15 A Okay. sets the formula for the tuition rate for resident 16 Q And is it fair to say that that section says students. Correct? 17 that this law establishes the standard for establishing 17 MR. WELDON: Objection. Calls for a legal 18 residency? Is that correct? 18 conclusion. MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Objection. Calls for a 19 19 A (The Witness) Yeah. I think - I mean, with -20 20 legal conclusion. out of my understanding, I - I - I think so. 21 A (The Witness) That - so state your - state your Q (Mr. Weldon) Okay. If you take just a minute 22 question again? I'm sorry. 22 to look at Section (d), just beneath that? Q (Mr. Weldon) I'm sorry. The - this - the - the 23 A Okay. 24 Section (a) basically makes clear that this section of the 24 Q Okay. And is it fair to say that that is 25 Texas Education Code sets the - the standard for

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                                                                           A (The Witness) So it's my understanding that the
   determining resident status. Is that correct?
        A I guess, on that, I don't - I don't know if - if
                                                                    2 ApplyTexas is - is owned, if you will, by THECB, the Texas
                                                                    3 Higher Education Coordinating Board. They contract out to
   (a) does that, in and of itself. I guess I've never tried
                                                                    4 I think it's The University of Texas to actually help kind
   to read it that way, but I think - are you talking about
                                                                      of maintain that application.
   the - the entire - the 54.052, or are you talking about
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   iust that --
                                                                                But the reason I bring it up and it's
                                                                       relevant, is on that application, when students apply in
        Q Oh, yeah. And let me clarify.
              Section (a) indicates that, you know,
                                                                    8 Texas, and they use ApplyTexas, they will - they will use
   Section 54.052 is the statute that sets - that governs the
                                                                    9 that application, and they'll fill out that front.
   determination of resident status. Correct?
                                                                    10 There's a - a - for lack of a better term, there's like a
              MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Yeah. Objection.
                                                                       profile that students have to create that they - they -
   Calls for a legal conclusion.
                                                                    12 they answer a series of questions there, and then they'll
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        A (The Witness) So yeah. I mean, as I - yeah.
                                                                    13 pick, you know, what institutions they want to apply to.
              So for my understanding and knowledge,
                                                                                But it's in that profile where the series
   it's - it's that entire thing that begins to set
                                                                    15 of these questions regarding resident status, if you
   the - the - the rules and - of what determines resident
                                                                    16 will - you know, this - this - that are asked, and that
                                                                    17 determination is made, and that determination then is
             And I - I'm --
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                                                                       passed to the universities.
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        Q (Mr. Weldon) Okay.
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                                                                                So then we take - we take what the results
        A -- going to answer it - I hope I'm answering
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                                                                   20 of that profile, of what happened on that application, and
   your question the way - what - what you're asking.
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                                                                   21 then the - they will pass us, you know, the resident or
        Q Oh. You're - you're doing - you're doing fine.
                                                                    22 nonresident field, and then we - we take that and - and
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   I'm just - let me - let me put it - put it to you this
                                                                       process it.
   way.
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                                                                           Q So is it - is it your understanding, then, that
             So then you would agree that Section 54.052
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                                                                    25 ApplyTexas determines the resident status of students
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 1 is what sets the - you know, the standard for resident
                                                                    1 based on 54 - 54.052?
   status. Correct?
                                                                                MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Objection. Calls for a
             MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Objection. Calls for a
                                                                       legal conclusion.
                                                                           A (The Witness) Yeah. I mean, functionally,
 4 legal conclusion.
       A (The Witness) I - I - I believe so.
                                                                      those questions are asked there, and a - the answer to
       Q (Mr. Weldon) And the divisions at the
                                                                       that will derive a value that they pass us, which is then
   University of North Texas that you oversee, they
                                                                       either resident or nonresident.
                                                                                So yeah. In that sense, I would say - say
   faithfully apply Section 54.052 when determining resident
   status. Correct?
                                                                       that's probably a pretty accurate statement.
       A Well, can I - let me - can I explain kind of how
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                                                                           Q (Mr. Weldon) I'm sorry. I'm just going to try
                                                                    11 and clean that up a little bit for the transcript. Was --
11 that comes to us? That might help to this, because I want
                                                                           A Sure.
12 to try to make sure I'm answering your question.
                                                                           Q -- your - you - was - it was your conclusion,
             So the students - there's - I mean, I don't
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14 know if you're familiar with ApplyTexas? It's the state
                                                                    14 then, that ApplyTexas, that program, the questions they
                                                                       asked, are designed to get at the definition in 54.052?
15 application. Are you - for admission. Are you familiar
16 with that?
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                                                                           A (Witness nodded head up and down.)
                                                                                MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Objection. And calls
       Q Yeah.
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                                                                       for speculation.
       A So - so the ApplyTexas application that I - I
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                                                                           A (The Witness) Yeah. I think that's - that's
19 believe - I think technically is probably - is owned, if
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   you will, by the - the higher ed, so the THECB, the
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                                                                       what I was trying to say.
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                                                                           Q (Mr. Weldon) Okay.
   Texas --
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                                                                           A Yeah.
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             (The Reporter asked for a repeat of the
                                                                           Q And once that determination is made, could you,
             last part of the Witness' answer which
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                                                                   24 at the - any of the departments you oversee, could they
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             broke up.)
       Q (Mr. Weldon) I'm - I'm sorry. Can you --
                                                                    25 overturn that and say, "No. We think this student is a
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Page 25 Page 27 1 resident, or is not a resident"? Q So is there like some sort of Statute that A No. I don't - I mean, no. Just - just to sit 2 requires you to - to make applications available through 3 there and say, you know, "Shannon, no. I think he should ApplyTexas? be a - a - a resident," no. They don't have the MS. HELLUMS-GOMEZ: Objection. Calls for 4 authority or latitude. legal conclusion. There are cases that - you know, a minority A (The Witness) I honestly couldn't cite you of - of applications that will come through that they will that. pass as - I think the code is Undetermined, and that's It's just - it's my understanding that we based on perhaps how somebody answered the - the - the to be one - is that it - it's not - I do not believe we 10 have a - or do not believe we have a choice to not be question. They are coded as a nonresident, and then they are - they have to answer the questions again, and present in ApplyTexas. Let me answer it that way. then provide documentation. Q (Mr. Weldon) Okay. But you also use the Common 13 That documentation is again prescribed by App. And - and let me make sure I'm saying this right. 13 the Coordinating Board about what's acceptable. So we Common, like the word C-O-M-M-O-N, App? 14 don't have any flexibility, you know, on - on that. 15 A Correct. Q So I'm trying to unpack what you just - what you Q Okay. And that was a choice made by the 16 16 17 just told me there. University of North Texas. 17 18 So like let's say that they're - well, 18 A Correct. Q Okay. That would be similar to if I choose to 19 let - let's do it this way. use Microsoft Word, as opposed to WordPerfect. Correct? 20 Are there any students - if - if you're 20 A Yeah. I mean, I guess, on a - on - on one going to apply to be a student at the University of North 21 Texas, is there any way to do so outside of the ApplyTexas 22 level. Q Do you have any other - any other way that the program? 23 24 University of North Texas establishes resident status, 24 A Some of our students will come through an 25 application called the Common App. And that - the Common 25 other than ApplyTexas or the Common App? Page 26 Page 28 1 App. So it's another application process. A A student - so every - both of those use this. And - but it has - it will have the same A student who comes in and then perhaps later has now met series of - of questions on there. this definition, because they have met one of the myriad Q And is - is that - is the Common App - I - I of - of choices in there, could - could get a - a change believe is what you called it - is that run by the have their resident status changed after coming in, but University of North Texas? everybody who initiates and comes in is done that way --A The Common App is a - I don't - I don't know how O So -to accurately phrase it - but we don't own the Common App. A -- you know. The Common App is a - is more of a - I'll say a national Q -- over - the student you just described, who application, but it's - it's an application that schools wants to have their resident status changed, what would be in many states use, as well. 11 the process for that? Q Okay. And is that an app that you - that you A It would answer the same questions. They would 12 13 have - that the University of North Texas has chosen to 13 then have to provide the documentation that's prescribed 14 use? 14 by the Coordinating Board that's acceptable. 15 A Correct. That would go through a - a committee, Q Okay. And the same is - with ApplyTexas. Is 16 then, for review, to make sure that they've answered, and 16 that an app that the University of North Texas has chosen 17 provided the answer correctly, and provided that 18 18 documentation to support that. The documentation is what A It's my understanding that was chose for us, and 19 is acceptable to the - based on the Coordinating Board. 20 why - the reason I say that, I mean, is it is my Q And is that - is that committee in one of the, 20 understanding that we are - there is an expectation that 21 you know, departments that you oversee? 22 we use that, from the Coordinating Board, so we have to be A Yeah. Its a - I - I think there may be, and I

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1 0	UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS,) AND SHANNON GOODMAN, VICE)		
9	PRESIDENT FOR ENROLLMENT OF)		
	THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH)		
10	TEXAS)		
12	REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION		
13	DEPOSITION OF SHANNON MICHAEL GOODMAN		•
14	NOVEMBER 12, 2021		
15 16	I, JUDY A. COUGHENOUR JOHNSON, a Certified		
17	Shorthand Reporter in and for the State of Texas, do		
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19	THAT the Witness, SHANNON MICHAEL GOODMAN, was duly		
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21	deposition is a true record of the testimony given by the Witness;		
23	THAT the deposition transcript was submitted on		
,	November 16, 2021 to the attorney for Defendants for		
25	examination, signature, and return to JUDY A. COUGHENOUR &	1	